

Application No. 10/019,275  
Amendment dated May 5, 2004  
Reply Office Action of January 9, 2004

**REMARKS**

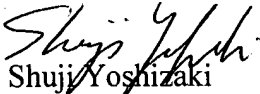
Claims 3-19 are pending in this application. Claims 20-22 have been cancelled. Since claims 3-19 were found to be allowable and claims 20-22 have been cancelled in this Amendment, the claims in pending are in condition for allowance. Applicants request such action at an early date.

If the Examiner believes that this application is not now in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact Applicants' undersigned agent at the telephone number indicated below to arrange for an interview to expedite the disposition of this case. The limited recognition is attached.

In the event that this paper is not timely filed, Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fees for such an extension or any other fees that may be due with respect to this paper may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

Respectfully submitted,

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